



THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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PATENT

In Re the Application of:

HARGARTEN et al.

Serial No.: 10/029,528

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Atty. Docket No.: 3123-393

For: "METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR AUTOMATICALLY  
DETERMINING AN EMBEDDED  
RUNOUT CORRECTION  
THRESHOLD"

Group Art Unit: 2651

Examiner: Tzeng, Fred

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF JUNE 15, 2004**

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated June 15, 2004 (Paper No. 8). Reconsideration  
is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A request for a three-month extension of time accompanies this Reply. The  
Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the credit card identified on Form PTO-2038 in the  
amount of \$1020.00 for the three-month extension fee.

Please note that the **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims,  
which begins on page 2 of this paper. Please also note that the **Remarks** begin on page 10 of  
this paper.